



November

Family Prayer Service

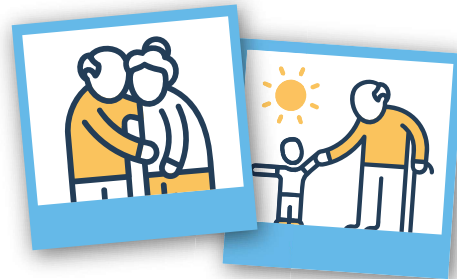
Remembering Our Deceased Loved Ones

WHAT IS THIS INITIATIVE?

The family prepares together the November dead list. They say a prayer together. They create a small sacred memorial space in their home for the month of November.

WHY TAKE THIS INITIATIVE?

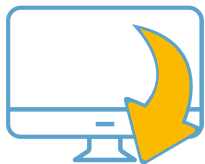
- In *The Joy of Love*, Pope Francis says of those from our families who have died, ‘we continue to love them now that they are elsewhere. They can no longer be physically present to us, yet for all death’s power, “love is as strong as death” (Song 8:6).’
- This initiative encourages the family to come together in their own home to remember prayerfully their dead loved ones. It offers them ideas on praying for their dead family members and how to create a memorial space in the home for November.





HOW DOES THIS WORK IN A PARISH?

- 1 Announce the initiative in October.
- 2 Distribute November dead list template and explanatory leaflet.
- 3 Parish receives the lists to be placed in the sanctuary throughout November.
- 4 Plan a family Mass for the deceased.



WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE AND WHERE?

The following resources are all available on our website:

- An explanatory leaflet.
- A November dead list template.
- An invitation to the Mass/remembrance service.

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